

Urban District Council of Tonbridge



ANNUAL
REPORT

for 1968

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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TONBRIDGE URBAN DISTRICT

HEALTH COMMITTEE

(Constitution at 31st December, 1968)

Chairman of Council Councillor G.E. Mortley, J.P.
* Councillor Mrs. B.G. Penruddocke (Chairman)
Councillor R. D. Large (Vice Chairman)

Councillor Mrs. B.A. Apted Councillor D.I. Mann
* Councillor G.H. Bentall Councillor W.H.J. Mann, J.P.
Councillor J.D. Burt, A.R.I.B.A., Councillor Mrs. C.L. Watts
Councillor W.S. Jones Councillor Cmdr. G.H. Wren

* Members on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

One other Member of the Council to act as Standing Deputy on the
South West Kent Joint Health Committee

STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

P. A. CROWLEY, M.B., Ch.B., B.A.O., D.P.H.

(also Principal Medical Officer, Kent County
Council (Area No.4.), Visiting Medical Officer,
Hawkenbury Hospital Isolation Wing)

DEPUTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

DOROTHY N. IRONSIDE, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

(also Assistant County Medical Officer,
Kent County Council)

CLERICAL STAFF

TUNBRIDGE WELLS OFFICE:

Chief Clerk: Mrs. D.E.Tebbit
Second Clerk: Mrs. A.D. Simmons
(resigned 28.7.68.)
Miss W. Holman
(appointed 12.8.68.)

TONBRIDGE OFFICE:

Chief Clerk: Mrs. E.M. Tibbles
Typist/Clerk: Mrs. M. Webster
(resigned 31.8.68.)
Miss V. Marsden
(appointed 4.11.68.)

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS

Chief Public Health Inspector:
J.H. Elphick (a, d and g)

Additional Public Health Inspectors:

D.A. Barmby (b, d and e)
P.F. Allen (c and e) resigned 25.2.68.
D.M. Warner (a) appointed 1.8.68.
resigned 31.12.68.

Public Health Inspectors' Clerk:

Miss M.E. Bristow

Rodent Operator:

P. Maughan

- (a) Certificate of Royal Sanitary Institute and Sanitary Inspectors' Examination Joint Board
- (b) Certificate of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board
- (c) Diploma of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board
- (d) Meat and Other Foods Inspection Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (e) Smoke Inspectors' Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (f) Sanitary Science Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (g) Diploma, Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene
- (h) Diploma of Shops Acts Administration
- (i) Royal Society of Health Certificate in Meat Inspection

Mr. R.C. Spalding, M.A., F.R.I.C., acts as County Analyst for the District

TONBRIDGE URBAN DISTRICT

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To the Chairman and Members of the Tonbridge Urban District Council

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the District for the year 1968, having taken up duties as Medical Officer of Health on the 6th January, 1969, following the retirement of Dr. P.A. Crowley on that date. From the address above it will be noted that the office of the Medical Officer has moved, the transfer having taken place at the end of April, 1969.

The estimated mid-year population of the District, given by the Registrar-General, was 28,840, an increase of 290 over the mid-1967 figure.

The total number of registered live births was 589 (298 males and 291 females), compared with last year's total of 641. The crude birth rate was 20.4 per 1,000 population, the corrected birth rate being 20.0 compared with 16.9 for England and Wales.

The number of deaths from all causes totalled 295 (145 males and 150 females). The crude death rate per 1,000 population was 10.2. The corrected death rate for the District was 9.8 compared with 11.9 for England and Wales.

Deaths of infants who died under one year of age numbered 10, giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 17.0. The rate for England and Wales was 18.3. The Neo-Natal death rate (the number of deaths of infants under four weeks) was 10.2.

There were 20 deaths from Cancer of the Lung and Bronchus (17 males and 3 females), compared with 14 last year.

The number of notifiable infectious diseases recorded in the District was 112. This figure included 83 measles.

In consonance with modern conditions, there have been some legislative changes during 1968 in the notification of infectious diseases. For example, pneumonia is no longer notifiable, while infective jaundice now is.

On pages 16 and 17 of this Report figures, kindly supplied by the County Medical Officer, are given showing the number of persons immunised and vaccinated during the year under review.

In conclusion, I should like to express my thanks for the courtesy and co-operation I have received in the preparation of this Report.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R. G. BRENNEN

Medical Officer of Health

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area: 4,599 acres

Population:

R.G.'s Estimate mid 1968 28,840

R.G.'s Estimate mid 1967 28,550

Density of population:

i.e., number of persons per acre 6.3

Number of inhabited houses: 9,731

Rateable Value: £1,214,398

Sum produced by a penny rate: £4,775

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1968

			Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
LIVE BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	108	288	89	52	276	287	350	1,450
		Female	118	289	93	52	241	271	297	1,361
		Total	226	577	182	104	517	558	647	2,811
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	9	16	14	3	10	11	33	96
		Female	7	25	2	4	11	20	34	103
		Total	16	41	16	7	21	31	67	199
	TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS		242	618	198	111	538	589	714	3,010
	CRUDE BIRTH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1968		14.7	14.2	10.9	11.3	18.4	20.4	16.3	15.9
	Comparability factor supplied by Registrar-General		1.26	1.07	1.13	1.14	1.03	0.98	1.10	-
	ADJUSTED BIRTH RATE		18.5	15.2	12.3	12.9	18.9	20.0	17.9	-
STILL BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	-	5	2	-	5	2	4	18
		Female	2	2	1	1	3	5	4	18
		Total	2	7	3	1	8	7	8	36
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	2
		Female	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	3
		Total	-	2	-	1	1	-	1	5
	TOTAL STILL BIRTHS		2	9	3	2	9	7	9	41
	STILL BIRTH RATE per 1,000 (live and still) births		8	14	15	18	16	12	12	13.4
	TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS		244	627	201	113	547	596	723	3,051

	Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
INFANT DEATHS (under one year) <div> Male Female Total </div>	3	5	1	2	4	7	8	30
	3	5	1	1	2	3	3	18
	6	10	2	3	6	10	11	48
INFANT MORTALITY RATES:								
All infants per 1,000 live births	25	16	10	27	11	17	15	15.9
NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	12.4	12.9	0.0	9.0	5.6	10.2	9.8	9.3
EARLY NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	12.4	11.3	0.0	9.0	5.6	10.2	7.0	8.3
PERI-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births	20	26	15	27	22	22	19	21.6
MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
DEATHS <div> Male Female Total </div>	101	187	100	65	173	145	309	1,080
	102	247	127	74	124	150	455	1,279
	203	434	227	139	297	295	764	2,359
CRUDE DEATH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1968	12.3	10.0	12.5	14.2	10.2	10.2	17.4	12.4
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar General	0.92	1.05	0.80	0.84	0.87	0.96	0.57	-
ADJUSTED DEATH RATE	11.3	10.5	10.0	11.9	8.9	9.8	9.9	-

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	2	-	2
Other Tuberculosis	-	1	1
Bacillary Dysentery, Amoebiasis	1	-	1
Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal Diseases	1	-	1
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1	2	3
Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach	27	19	46
Malignant Neoplasm - Lung, Bronchus	84	18	102
Malignant Neoplasm - Breast	1	54	55
Malignant Neoplasm - Uterus	-	13	13
Leukaemia	3	4	7
Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc.	127	118	245
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	2	1	3
Diabetes Mellitus	3	3	6
Avitaminoses, etc.	-	1	1
Other Endocrine, etc., Diseases	2	2	4
Anaemias	6	4	10
Other Diseases of Blood, etc.	5	-	5
Mental Disorders	2	2	4
Meningitis	2	1	3
Other Diseases of Nervous System, etc.	8	10	18
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	14	11	25
Hypertensive Disease	23	35	58
Ischaemic Heart Disease	292	260	552
Other Forms of Heart Disease	57	107	164
Cerebrovascular Disease	104	247	351
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	46	68	114
Influenza	10	18	28
Pneumonia	73	111	184
Bronchitis and Emphysema	63	25	88
Asthma	2	3	5
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	10	13	23

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(Supplied by Registrar-General)
(1)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tonbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	2	3	3	2	2	2	7	3	7	3	6	6
8	1	13	7	9	2	1	1	16	2	17	3	20	2
-	4	-	11	-	5	1	1	-	6	-	8	-	19
-	2	-	3	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	1	-	4
-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	1
11	14	19	25	20	14	8	7	18	13	17	8	34	37
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	-
-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
1	-	2	1	1	2	-	-	3	1	1	2	-	4
2	1	1	5	2	2	1	1	2	-	1	2	5	-
5	1	4	7	2	2	2	5	2	1	2	5	6	14
30	22	54	53	28	20	17	13	45	33	31	27	87	92
5	11	11	11	3	7	4	4	11	14	7	14	16	46
5	15	18	37	6	26	9	14	19	24	15	31	32	100
8	4	6	13	4	6	3	2	8	2	5	8	12	33
-	1	1	7	2	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	5	8
7	8	10	27	7	18	5	6	8	10	12	13	24	29
6	4	14	7	7	-	2	3	8	3	9	3	17	5
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	2	-
1	-	2	4	2	1	-	-	1	-	2	3	2	5

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Peptic Ulcer	4	8	12
Appendicitis	-	1	1
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	5	4	9
Cirrhosis of Liver	2	3	5
Other Diseases of Digestive System	2	8	10
Nephritis and Nephrosis	4	3	7
Hyperplasia of Prostate	4	-	4
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	6	11	17
Diseases of Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue	-	1	1
Diseases of Musco-Skeletal System	1	10	11
Congenital Anomalies	9	5	14
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	7	5	12
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	5	8	13
Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions	14	11	25
Motor Vehicle Accidents	14	14	28
All Other Accidents	18	19	37
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	9	11	20
All Other External Causes	5	6	11
TOTALS	1,080	1,279	2,359

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tonbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	3	-	1	-	2	1	-	-	1	2	-	1	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
3	-	2	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1
-	-	1	1	-	4	-	-	2	-	-	1	1	2
1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1
-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	1	3	2	6
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	6
2	-	2	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	4	1
-	-	1	4	-	-	1	-	1	1	3	-	1	-
1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	2	3
1	1	1	-	-	1	4	1	2	-	1	1	5	7
-	4	3	2	1	2	-	2	5	2	2	-	3	2
-	1	2	5	-	-	-	1	5	1	6	2	5	9
-	1	1	2	2	1	-	1	1	-	1	3	4	3
2	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
101	102	187	247	100	127	65	74	173	124	145	150	309	455

CAUSES OF DEATH OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

CAUSE OF DEATH	Under 24 hours	1 day to 1 week	1-2 weeks	2-3 weeks	3-4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1-3 months	3-6 months	6-9 months	9-12 months	TOTAL
Congenital Anomalies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	2
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	2	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	1	2	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
TOTALS	3	3	-	-	-	6	1	1	1	1	10

DEATHS FROM LUNG CANCER DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

YEAR	20 - 34 years		35 - 44 years		45 - 64 years		65 - 74 years		75 years and over		TOTAL	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
1959	-	-	1	-	5	1	5	-	1	-	12	1
1960	-	-	-	-	4	-	2	1	3	-	9	1
1961	-	-	-	-	7	1	3	2	4	-	14	3
1962	-	-	-	-	3	1	7	3	2	-	12	4
1963	-	-	-	-	4	-	6	-	1	2	11	2
1964	-	-	-	-	6	-	6	-	1	1	13	1
1965	-	-	1	-	3	-	6	1	1	-	11	1
1966	-	-	-	-	2	1	6	1	3	-	11	2
1967	-	-	-	-	2	2	7	-	3	-	12	2
1968	-	-	-	-	1	-	10	3	6	-	17	3
TOTALS	-	-	2	-	37	6	58	11	25	3	122	20

AGES OF CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

Disease	Total cases (all ages)	Under 1 year	1 yr.	2 yrs.	3 yrs.	4 yrs.	5-9 yrs.	10-14 yrs.	15-24 yrs.	25-44 yrs.	45-64 yrs.	65 and over
Scarlet Fever	8	-	-	-	-	1	5	2	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	9	-	2	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	83	4	6	9	16	14	12	5	16	1	1	-
Dysentery	7	-	-	-	1	2	2	-	-	2	-	-
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Meningitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Pneumonia	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Acute Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Jaundice	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leprosy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leptospirosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yellow Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Relapsing Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anthrax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pulmonary	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
Meninges & C.N.S.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	112	4	8	12	17	20	19	7	17	3	5	-

SEASONAL INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTALS
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	2	2	8
Whooping Cough	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	4	9
Measles	-	2	8	6	14	25	10	9	2	-	-	7	83
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	7
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Meningitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Pneumonia	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Acute Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Jaundice	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leprosy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leptospirosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yellow Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Relapsing Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anthrax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pulmonary	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3
Meninges & C.N.S.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	4	3	8	7	15	26	11	10	3	3	5	17	112

TUBERCULOSIS

Age Periods	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - 4 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 9 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 19 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 - 24 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54 years	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 64 years	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 - 74 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75 and over	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
TOTALS	2	1	-	-	-	1	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS - SUMMARY OF CASES

	M A L E		F E M A L E		TOTAL
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
Cases on register at beginning of year	107	9	76	13	205
Cases added	2	-	2	-	4
Cases removed	7	-	4	-	11
Cases remaining	102	9	74	13	198

NUMBER OF DEATHS AND DEATH RATES FROM TUBERCULOSIS
DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

Year	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total Deaths	Rate per 1,000		TOTAL
	No. of cases notified	Deaths	No. of cases notified	Deaths		Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
1959	8	2	-	-	2	0.09	0.00	0.09
1960	6	1	-	-	1	0.05	0.00	0.05
*1961	10	-	-	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00
1962	3	-	-	1	1	0.00	0.04	0.04
1963	6	-	2	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00
*1964	6	2	2	-	2	0.08	0.00	0.08
1965	6	1	1	1	2	0.04	0.04	0.08
*1966	4	2	3	-	2	0.07	0.00	0.07
1967	4	1	-	-	1	0.03	0.00	0.03
*1968	3	1	-	-	1	0.03	0.00	0.03

* Denotes year Mass Radiography Unit visited the District

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

The following tables give the vaccination and immunisation figures for the District for 1968, based on the returns submitted to the Department of Health and Social Security.

Diphtheria with Tetanus and Whooping Cough

Year of Birth	PRIMARY IMMUNISATION		REINFORCING	
	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Whooping Cough	Diphtheria/ Tetanus	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Whooping Cough	Diphtheria/ Tetanus
1968	157	-	-	-
1967	318	-	3	2
1966	21	-	56	63
1965	2	-	86	72
1964	3	-	10	13
1961/1963	6	2	144	275
1952/1960	-	2	6	15
TOTALS	507	4	305	440

Measles

Year of Birth	Primary Immunisation	Reinforcing
1968	5	-
1967	80	-
1966	125	-
1965	106	-
1964	106	-
1961/1963	272	-
1952/1960	7	-
TOTAL	701	-

Poliomyelitis

Year of Birth	Primary Immunisation	Reinforcing
1968	191	-
1967	466	-
1966	39	-
1965	19	-
1964	6	17
1961/1963	-	398
1952/1960	-	4
TOTAL	721	419

Smallpox

Primary Vaccination 1 year	Re-Vaccination School age but under 8 years
373	9

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

(Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936
as amended by the Nursing Homes Act, 1963)

	Number of Homes	Number of beds provided for:-		
		Maternity	Others	Total
Homes registered during year	-	-	-	-
Homes whose registrations were withdrawn during year	-	-	-	-
Homes on register at end of year	-	-	-	-

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - SECTION 47

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

(Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention)

No action was necessary under these Enactments during the year.

Laboratory Service

The Public Health Laboratory Service, under the Directorship of Dr. A.L. Furniss, provided excellent facilities during the year for the examination of specimens and full co-operation with the staff was maintained. Valuable facilities are also available in the Pathological Departments of the following hospitals: Kent and Sussex, Pembury, Sevenoaks and Orpington.

Staff Medical Examinations

During the year the following medical examinations for superannuation purposes were carried out:-

Tonbridge Urban District	...	13
Other Authorities	...	3

International Vaccination Certificates

There is an increasing demand for the authentication of doctors' signatures on International Vaccination Certificates. In connection with international travel, follow-up of persons arriving in this country from suspected or infected areas without valid certificates is carried out by the Medical Officer of Health when notified by the health authority of their port of entry.

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE DISTRICT
provided by the Kent County Council

Ambulance Facilities

Enquiries relating to ambulance service matters and requests for ambulance transport are dealt with by the Kent County Council Ambulance Service from their station at 86a, Speldhurst Road, Southborough. (Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23222)

Principal Welfare Officer

Mr. G.H. Foster,
Kent County Council District Office,
39, Grove Hill Road,
Tunbridge Wells (Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23342)

Domiciliary Midwifery

The County Council arranges for the free attendance of midwives upon patients who are to be confined at home. The name and address of the appropriate midwife for any particular district is usually known to the patient's doctor, but can be obtained from the District Office of the County Council.

Home Nursing Service

The County Council provides a service free of charge for the attendance on persons whose doctors require them to be nursed in their own homes. The nurse's attendance is normally arranged by the doctor, but the name and address of the appropriate nurse for any particular district is obtainable from the District Office of the County Council.

Domestic Help Service

Domestic help service may be provided in households where it is needed owing to the presence of a person who is ill, lying-in, an expectant mother, mentally subnormal, aged or a child not over compulsory school age, but only where there is no able-bodied person in the household capable of carrying out the necessary household duties.

Area Domestic Help Organiser	-	Miss L. McEwan, 39, Grove Hill Road, Tunbridge Wells Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23342
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District Domestic Help Organiser	-	Mrs. J. Gill, Registrar of Births & Deaths Office, Avebury Avenue, Tonbridge Tel. Tonbridge 2561
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Night and Evening Service

Evening service is provided for elderly people who are bedridden or housebound and have no one to assist them to prepare for the night and includes the provision of a light meal or hot drink and attention to fires. Night service is provided, for no longer than three weeks unless there are exceptional circumstances, for the care of seriously ill people who are living in their own homes and who need attention during the night. In some cases the service is provided for one to three nights a week to give relief to relatives.

Family Care Service

After consultation with the Children's Department, this service is provided for the short-term care of children in their own homes during the absence of the mother by reason of admission to hospital for illness or confinement or in other special circumstances. Help is given only to families where care of at least two children is involved and the period of service is limited to three months.

Family Welfare Service

This service is provided, with the parent's consent, in households where the habits, behaviour and standards of living of the family are much below those generally accepted in the society in which they live. The three main objectives of the service are to raise the standard of living of the families, to improve the welfare of the children, and to keep the families together and prevent their break-up. Intensive training for a period of three months is given and this is succeeded by a follow-on service for nine months. In families where there is medical evidence of mental subnormality the continuance of the service after the initial period of three months may be approved for not more than twelve hours a week until the youngest child reaches compulsory school age.

Health Visitors

Miss M. Crosley

Mrs. V. Beail

Miss D. Lazell

Mrs. J. Hughes

Miss R. Stephenson

Miss M. Wilson

Child Welfare Centres and Clinics

<u>Centre</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Day and Time</u>
Red Cross Hall, Shipbourne Road	Child Welfare	Wed. P.M.
Baltic Road, Quarry Hill, (Tel. Tonbridge 2015)	Child Welfare	Fri. P.M.
	Relaxation Class (Midwives' Clinic)	Mon. P.M.
	Chiropody	Mon. A.M. & P.M. Tues. A.M. & P.M. Thurs. A.M. & P.M.
	School Clinic	1st & 3rd Wed. A.M.
	Dental	Daily A.M. & P.M.
	Ophthalmic	2nd & 4th Fri. A.M.
Church Hall, Cage Green	Child Welfare	Mon. P.M.
Methodist Church Hall, Higham Lane	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Wed. P.M.
	Relaxation Class (Midwives' Clinic)	Mon. P.M.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

Hospitals

The Hospital Management Committees of the South-East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board covering the hospitals in the Joint Health Area are set out below:-

Tunbridge Wells Hospital Management Committee,
Sherwood Park, Pembury Road, Tunbridge Wells
Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23444

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Pembury Hospital
Kent and Sussex Hospital
The Homoeopathic Hospital
Tonbridge Cottage Hospital
Tunbridge Wells Maternity Hospital
Hawkenbury Hospital
Edenbridge & District Memorial Hospital
David Salomons House, Southborough

Cray Valley and Sevenoaks Hospital Management Committee,
Orpington Hospital Orpington
Tel. Orpington 27050

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Sevenoaks Hospital
Emily Jackson Wing of Sevenoaks Hospital
Oak Lane Hospital, Sevenoaks
Sundridge Hospital

Chest Clinics

<u>Address</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Times</u>
Baltic Road, Tonbridge	Monday	All day
Pembury Hospital, Pembury	Wednesday	2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Friday	All day
Sevenoaks Chest Clinic, Outpatients Department, Sevenoaks Hospital	Wednesday	Morning

Clinic for Treatment of Venereal Diseases

Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Tuesday (females)	10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
	Tuesday (males)	11 a.m. to 12 noon

TONBRIDGE URBAN DISTRICT

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

Water Supply

The Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company and The Mid Kent Water Company supply the District with mains water. Supplies have been sufficient during the year and the quality, as shown by bacteriological examination, has been good.

Examination reports on water samples taken during the year were as follows:-

	Bacteriological Examination			Chemical Examination		
	No. of Samples	Satis- factory	Not satis- factory	No. of samples	Satis- factory	Not satis- factory
Statutory supply undertakings	27	27	-	2	2	-
Private sources piped to dwellings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other private sources	1	1	-	1	1	-

Following the extensive flooding of the District in September, additional samples of mains water were taken for bacteriological examination. No evidence of contamination was detected.

All the dwelling houses, with the exception of one, are supplied by public water mains.

Mains extensions were carried out as follows:-

The Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company

A total of 5,235 yards of mains extensions were laid by the Company, within their Statutory Area, to supply new housing sites in the District.

The Mid Kent Water Company

The Company laid 271 yards of 3 inch mains in 1968, and now serve 1,182 dwellings in the District.

2. Drainage and Sewerage

The scheme for a new surface water sewer to alleviate flooding of premises in Orchard Drive, was completed during the year.

Work commenced on the relief foul sewer to serve the north eastern area of the town, and the sewer will be put into operation early in 1969.

The design of a foul sewer relief scheme in the centre of the town has been started, and it is hoped to commence work during the coming year.

The plans for a new foul sewer to replace an old existing sewer across Potkiln Farm, have been completed and work will start in Spring 1969.

The main foul sewer syphon under the River Medway was damaged during the floods in September. Temporary arrangements have been made to pump the sewage across the river until a new syphon is constructed. Work on this should commence in the Spring 1969.

3. Refuse Collection and Disposal

Controlled tipping of refuse has been carried out on the Vale Road sewage works site since January, 1968. There is still no Ministry decision on the extension of the tipping area at Priory Wood. By excavating an additional depth for filling, the Vale Road tip has been made suitable for use up to the later part of 1969.

The Council provided 16 dustbins under the Public Health Act, 1936, Section 75 (3), and 58 dustbins previously supplied were replaced during the year.

4. Swimming Pools

Number of public swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Number of school swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Number of visits made during the year	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
Number of samples taken:	Satisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	36
	Unsatisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	2

The two unsatisfactory samples related to samples on one day just after a new pool had been brought into service and before proper chlorine control had been established. Subsequent samples were all satisfactory.

5. Inspection of the District

Number of complaints received and investigated	...	...	...	...	351
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year	...	...	...	...	4,854
Informal Notices:	Served during year	...	...	...	181
	Complied with during year	...	...	...	314
Statutory Notices:	Served during year	...	...	...	-
	Complied with during year				
	(a) by owners	...	...	...	-
	(b) by Local Authority in default				-
Legal proceedings taken during year	...	...	...	...	-

In June complaints began to be received from many parts of the Urban District of a nuisance arising from an awful smell which most people likened to "millions of cats".

Investigations were carried out and it was found that the part of the District affected varied according to wind direction and, ultimately, it appeared that the source was an area of natural water and woodland just within the Sevenoaks Rural District Council boundary.

Joint enquiries were made and with the help and technical advice of the District Alkali Inspector it was concluded that the smell originated from the action of anaerobic sulphide reducing bacteria on a trace element which had gained access to the waterways.

The firm from whose premises it appeared that the trace element had escaped into the waterways, co-operated in taking extensive measures to try and stop this reaction with some degree of success. Steps were taken to prevent any further escape of the chemical and, in fact, the process involved was closed down about the same time as the complaints were reaching their maximum. Despite the vast sums of money and amount of re-agents used to overcome the nuisance, results were not complete until nature took a hand with the extensive flooding of the whole area in September which apparently flushed all trace of the offending material away.

Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:

Housing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	490
Nuisances, etc. (not included under Housing)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	234
Visits to Food Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	861
Swimming Pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
Factories Act, 1961	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	140
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	291
Shops Act, 1950/65	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	79
Petroleum Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	248
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	49
Agriculture (Safety & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Pet Animals Act, 1951	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Offensive Trades	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Caravan Sites	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	459
Noise Abatement	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	53
Infectious Disease Visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,862

In September the town was badly affected by flooding and for some two to three weeks accurate records and classification of visits was impracticable and, therefore, the miscellaneous figure in the table above includes about 900 visits to all types of premises as a direct result of the flooding.

6. Disinfestation

The following infestations were dealt with:-

Cockroaches 14; Spider Beetles 1; Ants 1; Bugs 2; Fleas 8;
Maggots 1; Flies 5; Beetles 3;

Nine wasp nests were destroyed under the Council's scheme whereby a charge is made and, in addition, one wasp nest on Council land was also destroyed.

7. Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS

	TYPE OF PROPERTY	
	NON- AGRICULTURAL	AGRICULTURAL
1. Number of properties in District	11,685	18
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises inspected following notification	547	2
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	254	1
(ii) Mice	72	1

		NON-TYPE OF PROPERTY	
		AGRICULTURAL	AGRICULTURAL
3.	(a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	103	27
	(b) Number infected by (i) Rats	14	8
	(ii) Mice	3	-

SEWERS

No infestations were found during the year.

The flooding of September caused a temporary reduction in the number of rat complaints and there has been no sign of any subsequent build-up.

8. Rag, Flock & Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

Number of registered premises	Nil
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9. Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957

Number of licensed premises	Nil
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10. Agriculture (Safety & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956

Number of inspections made	2
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11. Pet Animals Act, 1951

Number of premises licensed	4
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Number of visits made	6
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12. Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964

Number of dealers registered	5
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13. Clean Air Act, 1956

The two stations for the volumetric recording of smoke and sulphur dioxide have continued throughout the year.

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Part I of the Act

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	5	1	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	100	56	12	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	22	83	7	-
Total	127	140	19	-

2. Cases in which Defects were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of Cleanliness	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	1	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	11	10	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
Total	12	10	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK

(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section 133(1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices Served	Prosecutions
<u>Wearing</u> <u>Apparel:</u> Making, etc.	3	-	-	-	-	-
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper	4	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	7	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963(A) Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	6	82	19
Retail Shops	16	200	40
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	5	-
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	4	17	6
Fuel storage depots	-	2	-
Totals	26	306	65

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered premises under the Act 291

(B) Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Contraventions	No. found	Section	Contraventions	No. found
4	Cleanliness	6	13	Sitting facilities	-
5	Overcrowding	-	14	Seats (sedentary workers)	-
6	Temperature	2	15	Eating facilities	-
7	Ventilation	2	16	Floors, passages & stairs	11
8	Lighting	3	17	Fencing exposed parts of machinery	-
9	Sanitary Conveniences	6	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing facilities	3	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of drinking water	-	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing accommodation	-	24	First Aid General Provisions	11 28
				TOTAL	72

All contraventions were brought to the attention of the occupiers concerned for appropriate remedial action to be taken.

(C) Exemptions

Number of applications received	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Number of applications granted	Nil

(D) Prosecutions

Number instituted and completed during the year	1
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The prosecution during this year was under Section 10 of the Act for failure to provide running hot water to premises within the scope of the Act. The case was proved and a fine of £20 plus costs was imposed.

(E) Reported Accidents

Workplace	Number Reported	Total Number Investigated	Action Recommended			No Action
			Prosecution	Formal Warning	Informal Advice	
Offices	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retail Shops	5	3	-	-	1	2
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Catering establishments open to public, canteens	1	-	-	-	-	-
Fuel storage depots	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	6	3	-	-	1	2

The accidents reported as not investigated were all of a very minor nature and required no subsequent action.

Analysis of Reported Accidents

	Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale Warehouses	Catering establishments open to public, canteens	Fuel Storage Depots
Machinery	-	-	-	-	-
Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Falls of persons	-	3	-	-	-
Stepping on or striking against object or person	-	1	-	-	-
Handling goods	-	-	-	-	-
Struck by falling object	-	-	-	-	-
Fires and Explosions	-	-	-	-	-
Electricity	-	-	-	-	-
Use of hand tools	-	1	-	-	-
Not otherwise specified	-	-	-	1	-

HOUSING

(A) Repair - Housing and Public Health Acts

Number of houses rendered fit after service of notices:

	Sections 9, 10 and 16 Housing Act, 1957		Public Health and similar Local Acts		Totals	
	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal
(a) By Owner	-	-	23	-	23	-
(b) By Local Authority	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	-	-	23	-	23	-

(B) Beyond Repair - Housing Act, 1957

Number of	(i) Undertakings accepted (Section 16)	...	...	2
	(ii) Closing Orders made (Section 17)	...	...	-
	(iii) Demolition Orders made (Section 17)	...	...	-
	(iv) Closing Orders made (Section 18)	...	...	-
	(v) Closing Orders determined (Section 27)	...	...	1
	(vi) Closing Orders revoked and Demolition Orders substituted (Section 28)	...	...	-
	(vii) Houses demolished following Demolition Orders			3

(C) Clearance Areas

(1) Represented during the year Nil

(2)	Action taken during the year	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(3)	Purchase of houses by agreement	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

(D) Improvement Grants

(1) Standard

	<u>Owner/Occupiers</u>	<u>Tenanted</u>
(i) Number of applications received	36	3
(ii) Number of applications approved	30	3
(iii) Number of applications refused	1	-
(iv) Number of dwellings improved	30	3
	£	s d
(v) Amount paid in grants	3,753.	19. 0.
(vi) Average grant per house	121.	1. 10.
(vii) Amenities provided		
(a) fixed bath		30
(b) shower		-
(c) wash hand basin		28
(d) hot water supply (to any fittings)		30
(e) water closet (1) within dwelling		27
(2) accessible from dwelling		-
(f) food store		20

(2) Discretionary

	<u>Owner/Occupiers</u>	<u>Tenanted</u>
(i) Number of applications received	3	-
(ii) Number of applications approved	-	-
(iii) Number of applications refused	2	-
(iv) Number of dwellings improved	-	-
	£	s d
(v) Amount paid in grants	764.	0. 0.
(vi) Average grant per house	254.	13. 4.

(E) Improvement Areas - Housing Act, 1964

(1) Number of Areas	(a) Surveyed	...	...	...	...	Nil
	(b) Declared	...	...	...	...	Nil
(2) Dwellings outside improvement areas						
	Number of representations made by tenants			...		Nil

(F) Houses in Multiple Occupation

No houses falling into this category were inspected during the year.

Land Charge Enquiries

A total of 1,004 land charge enquiries were received and dealt with during 1968.

Caravans (as at 31st December, 1968)

Number of site licences in force	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Total number of caravans permitted on licensed site	100

Common Lodging Houses

Number registered in District	Nil
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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1. Milk Supplies

(a) Number of registered distributors	30
Number of registered dairies	-	wholesale	...	...	-
		retail	...	...	3

(b) Milk Sampling

	Number of Samples Taken	Number of Unsatisfactory Samples
Untreated	3	-
Pasteurised	-	-
Sterilised	-	-

2. Ice Cream

Number of premises registered

(a) for the manufacture of ice cream	...	...	1
(b) for the sale of ice cream	...	...	83

Results of samples taken:

Grade 1	37
Grade 2	1
Grade 3	1

3. Premises registered for the Manufacture of Preserved Foods

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Number on Register</u>
Manufacture of sausages	8
Fish Frying	2
Cooking of Hams	6
Processed Meat Products	7

4. Slaughterhouses

There are no slaughterhouses in the Tonbridge Urban District

5. Food Premises subject to The Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

Category of Trade	Number in District	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 16 (wash basins)	Number to which Reg. 19 applies (provision of sinks, etc.)	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 19
Cafes, Restaurants and Canteens	52	52	52	52
Bakehouses	2	2	2	2
Premises registered for the manufacture of preserved food (Sec.16 Food & Drugs Act, excluding ice cream)	23	23	23	23
Food factories and wholesalers	2	2	2	2
Fried Fish Shops	2	2	2	2
Bakers & Confectioners	33	33	33	33
Butchers	15	15	15	15
Fishmongers	4	4	4	4
Grocers and Mixed	46	46	46	46
Greengrocers & Fruiterers	18	18	18	18
Licensed premises and Clubs	47	47	47	47

The flooding of the town in September caused extensive damage to the food shops in the High Street. Several of the shops needed complete clearance of fittings and re-fitting, and this Department's advice was sought on a number of occasions. In general, co-operation by the food shops was good but the Department had to make strong representations in a few instances to ensure that, when the shops re-opened for trade, there would be no risk of contamination from the flooding or its aftermath.

Control of food stalls and delivery vehicles is, at times, difficult owing to the irregular trading hours and, in the case of vehicles, constant variation of routes. A number of vehicles come into the District for a short period and then are not seen again. Every effort is made to ensure that they comply with the Regulations and, where necessary, the Authority from whose area the vehicles operate is contacted.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Details of samples taken by the County Sampling Officers within the Tonbridge Urban District during the year ended 31st December, 1968

	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
Milk	13	-
Butter, margarine, lard, cooking fats, cheese (including processed cheese)	2	-
Tinned meats, meat, fish, fish and meat pastes	7	-
Sugar, sugar confectionery, flour confectionery, chocolate products, cereals	20	1
Tea, coffee, cocoa, beverages, minerals, cordials	2	-
Jams, preserves, honey, jellies ...	1	1
Dried fruit, raw fruit, vegetables, tinned fruit and vegetables	5	-
Pickles, sauces, vinegar, condiments	10	2
Drugs, medicines	8	-
Ice Cream	3	-
Beer, wines, spirits	7	-
Miscellaneous	6	1
	<u>84</u>	<u>5</u>

Unsatisfactory Samples

Lime Flavour Table Jelly

Contained non-permitted colouring matter. Subsequently all stocks withdrawn and destroyed.

Finest Ground Nutmeg (2 samples)

Volatile oil content low. Follow-up sample also unsatisfactory. Suppliers contacted.

Full Cream Milk Food

Found to be of low solubility and low Vitamin A content due to storage beyond recommended date. Follow-up sample satisfactory. Seller advised on stock rotation.

Bread and Butter

Fat contained 35% butter fat. Further sample satisfactory.

6. Poultry Inspection

Number of poultry processing premises within the District ... Nil

7. Unsound Food

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Meat	4	3	7	-
Tinned Foods	3	3	6	-
Other Food	10	1	26	-

The method of disposal of condemned foods is by burial at the refuse tip.

As a result of the flooding in September, vast quantities of foodstuff were contaminated and rendered unfit. Most of this was disposed of at the refuse tip, but in view of the vast amount involved and the damage both to the stocks and premises, no estimate of the total quantity is available. All that can be said is that many lorry loads were destroyed.

8. Food Poisoning

No case of food poisoning was notified during the year.

